

# **CITY OF LEWISTON**

**CITY COUNCIL**

**JANUARY 3, 2012**

## **INAUGURATION HELD AT THE FRANCO-AMERICAN HERITAGE CENTER AT 6:30 P.M.**

THE HONORABLE LAURENT F. GILBERT, SR., MAYOR, PRESIDING.

PRESENT: Mayor Laurent F. Gilbert, Sr., Mayor-elect Robert E. Macdonald, Councilors-elect John T. Butler, Jr., Donald A. D'Auteuil, Nathan L. Libby, Craig O. Saddlemire, Mark A. Cayer and Richard R. Desjardins, City Administrator Edward A. Barrett, and City Clerk Kathleen M. Montejo.

ALSO PRESENT: School Committee Members-elect Robert V. Connors, Linda M. Scott, Paul R. St. Pierre, Eugene P. Dumont, James R. Handy, Sonia G. Taylor, Elizabeth A. Dube and Thomas P. Shannon, and Superintendent of Schools William Webster.

Mayor Gilbert called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

All stood for the presentation of the colors by the Combined Unit Color Guard - comprised of members from the Lewiston Fire Department, Lewiston Police Department and Lewiston High School Air Force Junior ROTC Program - the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and the singing of the National Anthem by Mackenzi Masselli, a senior at Lewiston High School.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

At the request of Mayor Gilbert, the Invocation was offered by Rev. Douglas Taylor from The Jesus Party Children's Church.

Mayor Gilbert then delivered his Farewell Address.

Mayor Gilbert then requested that the City Clerk collect the election credentials and present them for inspection. The following credentials were received, examined by Mayor Gilbert, and approved:

### **MAYOR-ELECT**

Robert E. Macdonald

### **COUNCILORS-ELECT**

John T. Butler, Jr., Ward 1  
Donald A. D'Auteuil, Ward 2  
Nathan L. Libby, Ward 3  
Craig O. Saddlemire, Ward 5  
Mark A. Cayer, Ward 6  
Richard R. Desjardins, Ward 7

(Note - A special election will be held on Feb. 7, 2012 to fill the seat of the Ward Four City Councilor.)

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS-ELECT**

Robert V. Connors, At-Large  
Linda M. Scott, Ward 1  
Paul R. St. Pierre, Ward 2  
Eugene P. Dumont, Ward 3  
James R. Handy, Ward 4  
Sonia G. Taylor, Ward 5  
Elizabeth A. Dube, Ward 6  
Thomas P. Shannon, Ward 7

The City Clerk administered the oath of office to Mayor-elect Robert E. Macdonald.

At the request of Mayor Macdonald, the City Clerk administered the oath of office to the members of the City Council.

Mayor Gilbert nominated Donald A. D'Auteuil as the City Council member on the School Committee.

**VOTE (1-2012)**

Motion by Councilor Butler, seconded by Councilor Libby:

That Donald A. D'Auteuil, Councilor of Ward 2, be appointed as the City Council representative on the School Committee. Passed - Vote 5-0-1 (Councilor D'Auteuil abstained.)

At the request of Mayor Macdonald, the City Clerk administered the oath of office to members of the School Committee.

**VOTE (2-2012)**

Motion by Councilor D'Auteuil, seconded by Councilor Saddlemire:

That Mark A. Cayer, Councilor of Ward 6, be elected City Council President.  
Passed - Vote 5-0-1 (Councilor Cayer abstained.)

Council President Cayer gave a brief speech.

Mayor Macdonald called upon School Superintendent William Webster to conduct the nomination and election of the School Committee Chairperson. Mr. Webster approached the podium and requested nominations from the School Committee for the position of Chairperson.

**VOTE (3-2012)**

Motion by School Committee Member Handy, seconded by School Committee Member St. Pierre:

That Thomas P. Shannon, School Committee member of Ward 7, be elected School Committee Chairperson. Passed - Vote 7-0-1 (School Committee member Shannon abstained.)

School Committee Chairperson Thomas Shannon provided a brief speech.

Members of the Lewiston High School Chamber Choir presented a musical performance under the direction of Darren Avery, LHS musical voice instructor.

Mayor Macdonald delivered his Inaugural Address.

At the request of Mayor Macdonald, Rev. Vaillancourt, Chaplain at St. Dominic Academy, gave the Benediction.

The colors were retired by the Combined Unit Color Guard.

**VOTE (4-2012)**

Motion by Councilor Cayer, seconded by School Committee Member Scott:

To adjourn the meeting. Passed - Vote 14 - 0 (Vote of City Councilors and School Committee members). Meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Mayor Macdonald then invited everyone to attend the Inaugural Reception downstairs in Heritage Hall.

A true record, Attest:

Kathleen M. Montejo, MMC  
City Clerk  
Lewiston, Maine